

## Gen. Taylor and Slavery.

The stale and threadbare argument of the Free Soilers, that Gen. Taylor is a Southern man, and consequently is in favor of the extension of Slavery, and opposed to the Wilmot Proviso, is frequently rebuked by the Whig papers at the South. It is so exceedingly ridiculous to assume that because a man resides within certain geographical limits that he must necessarily entertain sectional views, that it would hardly seem worth while to make a denial. Yet so strenuous are the Van Burenites in persisting that Gen. Taylor must be in favor of Slavery extension that we cannot pass over the absurd and unwarrantable accusation without a single remark.

We are not only told that Gen. Taylor is in favor of Slavery extension, by the vociferous apostles of Van Buren, but that he is *not* a Whig! Now since the abundant evidence given in his two Allison letters that he is a Whig—always was—and always will be, we think those very conscientious Whigs place themselves in no very enviable light before an enlightened people. Where in all the history of Martin Van Buren's life can any body find where he has avowed his *unqualified* opposition to what the Liberty men have so long and loudly contended for, viz: abolition of Slavery in the District of Columbia, but on the other hand, his whole opposition to that accursed institution is based upon *circumstances!* He is not willing after the Buffalo platform has been erected, with every plank fitted as was supposed with special reference to his former views, to step on fully, lest he might be fully committed against some of his darling projects which no longer ago than last June he gloried in,—such as *Free Trade* and the *Sub-Treasury*, and he goes on to recommend *Direct Taxation* instead of a *Protective Tariff*.—Such is the man Whig friends, you are loudly called upon to vote for, the man whom by your united and determined efforts in 1840, you bid retire from the helm of government and placed in his stead the Honest and statesman-like Harrison. But it is needless to waste time in talking to Vermonters with regard to Mr. Van Buren's former and present position, suffice it to say, that after the 4th of November he will have the privilege of retiring to private life, which he so *eagerly sought* for, and was so happy in being permitted to enjoy, after the Baltimore nomination in 1844.

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There can be no doubt about Gen. Taylor being opposed to the extension of Slavery. His letters to Gen. Gaines and others are a proof of the fact. That he lives in a Slave State is no argument that he wishes its extension.—*Thousands of the citizens of the South believe Slavery to be wrong in every respect in which it can be viewed!*

## HILLARD FILLMORE.

Our Free Soil friends seem to be wonderfully jealous that the Whigs of the South should not only appreciate the statesmanlike talents and integrity of the Whig candidate for Vice President. One would imagine really, that they had some regard for men possessed of those qualities above named, if it were not that in the next breath they set forth Martin Van Buren as the exponent of a certain principle which of all others—if we judge from his past life, he most heartily loathes—and which after the Free Soil party has warned him into life, will turn upon them with two fold fury to blight their aspirations and hopes forever.

In order to show how they view the character of Mr. Fillmore, and to refute the base slander continually rung from one end of the North to the other, by the Van Buren Free Trade-Direct Taxation-Sub-Treasury Party, that the Whigs of the South have discarded Mr. Fillmore and placed Gen. Butler in his stead, we append the following from the "Independent Monitor," a good Whig paper printed at Tuscaloosa, Alabama, where it appears as editorial:

two gates on said turnpike, one in Ripon and one in Hancock.

We understand that T. H. McLeod, of this place, has been appointed agent to canvass the Eastern and Northern part of Western Vermont, to procure business cards, for publishing a New England Directory, to be published previous to the 1st of January, 1849.

## Notice.

There will be a meeting of the Rough and Ready Club, at the Town Room on Wednesday evening next, (November 1st,) commencing at 6 1/2 o'clock.

JUDGE PHELPS will address the meeting.

Turn out Freemen!

By order of the Committee.

## FOREIGN NEWS.

NEW-YORK, October 25  
ARRIVAL OF THE STEAMSHIP  
**EUROPA.**

7 DAYS LATER FROM EUROPE  
SMITH O'BRIEN CONVICTED AND SENTENCED to be HUNG, DRAWN AND QUARTERED.

BLOODY INSURRECTION in VIENNA!  
CHOLERA IN LONDON.

The Europa brings 7 days later news, that from Ireland and the continent being of rather an exciting character. Smith O'Brien has been convicted of High Treason, and was sentenced to be Hung, Drawn, and Quartered.

The Jury however united in a recommendation of the prisoner to the clemency of the country. Up to the sailing of the Steamer no definite information of the course the Lord Lieutenant would pursue was ascertained, though a message acknowledging the reception of the Jury's verdict had been received from the tower. The last advices brought us to the close of Mr. White's Address to the jury in behalf of Mr. O'Brien.

The Court sat on Saturday, at 9 o'clock, and the Lord Chief Justice, proceeded with his charge till 10 o'clock, when an adjournment occurred to listen to the evidence of Dalton, a Protestant student of Trinity College, going to show that Dobbin, the informer had perjured himself. The judge resumed his charge at 4 o'clock and the jury retired. In an hour and 20 minutes they returned into court with a verdict of guilty, which produced a profound sensation. Appended to the verdict was the following. We earnestly recommend the prisoner to the merciful consideration of the government, the jury being unanimous in the opinion that for many reasons his life should be spared. On Monday Mr. O'Brien was brought up for sentence. His manly bearing, his calmness, composure and firmness as he stood in the dock were the theme of admiration throughout the court.

The clerk then asked Mr. O'Brien what he had to say why the sentence of the court should not be pronounced upon him.

Mr. O'Brien said: "My Lord—I am not in any intention to enter into any vindication of my conduct; however much I might have desired to avail myself of this opportunity of so doing.

I am perfectly satisfied with the consciousness that I have performed my duty to my country. That I have done only that which, in my opinion, it was the duty of every Irishman to have done; and I am now prepared to abide the consequences of having performed my duty to my native land. Proceed with your sentence, (Cheers in the gallery.) After a brief address to the prisoner, the Lord Chief Justice put on the black cap, and proceeded as follows:

The sentence is that you be taken hence to the place from whence you came, and be thence drawn on a hurdle to the place of execution, and be there hanged by the neck until you be dead—that afterwards your head shall be severed from your body, be divided into four equal quarters, to be disposed of as her Majesty shall please, and may God have mercy on your soul!

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The cholera has made its appearance in London and several cases are actually reported in the Metropolis and in the Provincial newspapers about half of which had proved fatal.

We call attention to the change of the Laws, so that Representatives to Congress, may be elected by plurality on the second ballot. It will be seen that the Governor has issued a proclamation for the election of Representative in this District to come on the 7th of November, the same day of the Presidential election.

## Centre Turnpike.

Many of our readers will be pleased to learn that the Eastern half of the Centre Turnpike, is now a fine road. At the last term of the Windsor County Court, on the petition of numerous inhabitants, of the adjacent towns, the Court appointed Commissioners to lay a highway, on the two eastern sections of said Turnpike, lying in the towns of Bethel, Stockbridge, and Rochester. As such proceedings have been had, the gates in Rochester and Stockbridge have been removed, leaving only

he believed it not incompatible with the honor and interests of both republics to terminate this war. He said, "I have cherished the sentiment of the Father of his country, who cautioned us against leaving our own soil and territory for a foreign country; who inculcated as a principle of our republican institutions that he would eschew all foreign alliances and connections and confine ourselves to the improvement of our own proper soil and the advancement of peace and happiness within our own boundaries."

## Whigs of Vermont!

On the 7th of November, you will be called on to aid in fixing the political character of the National Administration for long years to come. The period is near at hand—the results will determine who are mighty. The great issue is between TAYLOR and CASS. They are politically wide as the poles asunder. One of them must be elected. Any other expectation is too idle for serious consideration.

Sustain Gen. TAYLOR, and you sustain, as you have always done, the true AMERICAN POLICY;—let Gen. CASS be elected and a Domestic and Foreign Policy, destructive of the prosperity and dangerous to the perpetuity of the Union, will have received a sanction that will immensely aggravate its evils.

Sustain Gen. TAYLOR, and you aid in giving to the cause of FREEDOM and AMERICAN INDUSTRY, at the head of the Senate of the United States, the author and powerful defender of the American Tariff of 1842, MULLED FILLMORE, of New York;—let Gen. CASS be elected, and the cause of Slavery Extension and Free Trade will be furnished, in the same exalted and responsible station, with a vigilant and powerful advocate in Wm. O. BUTLER, of Kentucky.

Gen. TAYLOR is a sound, noble-hearted, conservative Whig; Gen. Cass is the embodiment of the worst features of modern Democracy. The former has no enemies to punish, nothing to serve but his Country;—the latter has no friends but partisans, nothing to serve but his party. Choose ye!

Your Electoral Ticket is before you. It is composed of men who have abjured their principles, who are incapable of compromising the true interests of the State and the Country. You can elect them by a majority never surpassed in Vermont. WILL YOU DO IT?

Whigs of Vermont! Your State Committee do not wish to disguise the deep interest they feel in the result of your action on the great issue presented. They are impelled less by their alarm at the consequences that might follow a neglect of your duty, as Free-men at the Ballot Box, than by the just renown for political stability and integrity which your inflexible adherence to the Public Principles and the noble Men of the Whig Party has shed upon our State, to urge you to the Polls. Vermont expects every Whig to do his duty.

HARRY BRADLEY,  
PORTUS BAXTER,  
E. P. WALTON, Jr.,  
HAMPTON CUTTS,  
A. P. LYMAN.  
October 23d, 1848.

W. S. JOHNSON is now receiving a large & splendid Stock of

DRY GOODS,

which are offered to the public at unusually low prices. I am bound not to be undersold by any one.

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CARPETS, CARPETS.

W. S. JOHNSON takes great pleasure in saying to the public that he has made arrangements with the manufacturers of Carpets by which he has received 1500 yds., and will keep constantly supplied with all the

NEW PATTERNS

as they come out, which enables him to give a better assortment and at a less price than was ever offered to the people of this County.

Middlebury, Oct. 23, 1848.

LEBANON, Ohio, Oct. 13.

Prosper's look dismal enough in Ohio, judging by the returns now in hand; but they looked worse for Napoleon at Marengo and worse for Old Zack at Buena Vista. Courage and a good cause do work miracles. I am resolved to spend the last atom of my strength in this fight; and if we fall in Ohio, let us fall with our armor on. All will come right. In the Whig vocabulary there is no such word as fail!

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In Weybridge, Oct. 26th, by the Rev. L. L. Tilden, Mr. SAMUEL E. COOKE, of Cornhill, to Miss MARY A. BELL, of the former place.

LICENSE NOTICE.

The Assistant Judges of the Addison County Court, will meet at the Court House, in Middlebury, on Thursday, November 2d, at 1 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of granting Licenses.

GEORGE S. SWIFT, Clerk.

Middlebury, Oct. 28, 1848. 27: 1w

## MARRIED,

In New Haven, on the 24th inst., of a disease of the heart THOMAS FOOT, long a resident of that town, aged 75 years.

Also, on the 15th of last February, ANNE FOOT, wife of the above named Thomas Foot, aged 73.

The above being agent for Scott's American and European Fashions, which he receives monthly, enables him to furnish gentlemen at all times with garments made up in the latest styles.

As general and average of the good qualities of my goods and the low prices at which I dispose of them, it would be useless to make any further comment on that subject.

CUTTING at all times attended to, as usual at the Old Stand, No. 1, Brewster's Building, two doors south of the Post Office.

Middlebury, Oct. 10, 1848. 24

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MIDDLEBURY AND DRESS-MAKING.

MRS. C. WILCOX

Will take this opportunity to return thanks to the Ladies of Middlebury and vicinity for past favors, and solicit a continuance of the same.

She would inform them that she continues to occupy the above business at her dwelling, two doors north of the Congregational Church, Pleasant Street.

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27 Latest Fashions just received.

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NEW AND FASHIONABLE

MIDDLEBURY

AND RIBBONS.

Mrs. R. Cleveland, having just returned from Boston, is prepared to furnish the latest fashions of

BONNETS AND TRIMMINGS

of richer materials and at lower prices than were ever before offered in this place.

Ladies wishing to obtain new Bonnets or get old ones repaired and trimmed, will find at their advantage to call on her, at the house formerly occupied by the late Dr. J. A. Allen, on Papermill Street, first door north of the Congregational Meetinghouse.

Middlebury, October 23, 1848. 26

READY MADE CLOTHING.

A good assortment of Men's Overcoats—Brown Brocade, made in good style, from \$11 to 12.

Canada Grays, from \$6 to 8.

Tweeds and Satinets at \$7 to \$8.

Frock Coats and Pantaloons—all wool—Vests, a fine assortment, from \$7 to \$8.

Every variety. Also Boys' Overcoats, Pantaloons and Vests.

A general assortment of

GROCERIES.

Those wishing to purchase for Cash or Ready pay will find it to their interest to call and examine my stock, as I am determined not to be undersold by any merchant in this vicinity.